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Dear Sir:

Prior to examination of this application and calculation of the filing fee, please  
amend the application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please amend claims 42 and 43 as follows:

42. (Amended) An illumination device comprising a light source, a light  
guide plate into receiving a ray of light of said light source, and said optical sheet according  
to one of claims 29-39 and 41, disposed on one side of said light guide plate.

43. (Amended) A liquid crystal display device comprising a light source, a light guide plate receiving a ray of light of said light source, said optical sheet according to one of claims 29-39 and 41, disposed on one side of said light guide plate, and a liquid crystal panel.

### REMARKS

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "Version with markings to show changes made."

Applicants respectfully request that these claims be considered with the examination of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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**VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE**

In the Claims:

Claims 42 and 43 were amended as follows:

42. (Amended) An illumination device comprising a light source, a light guide plate into receiving a ray of light of said light source, and said optical sheet according to one of claims [29 to 41] 29-39 and 41, disposed on one side of said light guide plate.

43. (Amended) A liquid crystal display device comprising a light source, a light guide plate receiving a ray of light of said light source, said optical sheet according to one of claims [29 to 41] 29-39 and 41, disposed on one side of said light guide plate, and a liquid crystal panel.